

President's Message

As we enter the month of March, we look forward to warmer weather and lots of sunshine!
 This month also means Zonta Chicken Noodle Dinner & Country Store. I know the Head Chickens are very busy with the many plans and details. Thank you for your continued support of this event as it is our major fundraiser.
 We also need to think of possible new members for our Membership Recruitment coming up next week. Plans are being made for the Area 4 Spring Workshop on Saturday, April 20 with Frankfort Club as the Host Club. Please plan to attend and find out what is new and exciting in Zonta!

Dana

-The first blooms of spring always make my heart Sing. S Brown

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

**Chicken Noodle Dinner & Country Store
 Saturday, March 9th, 2024**



Stephanie, June, and Nancy C. have been busy "gathering" everything and everyone needed for this Saturday's dinner!

Marvel and Nancy H. will be ready for your items (3 minimum) for the Country Store at 10:00am that morning.

Looking forward to seeing you in your gray Zonta shirt, or another, as together we "gather round" for another successful fundraiser!

MEMBERSHIP RECRUITMENT

The **Membership Committee** is busy planning the **March 13th Recruitment Meeting** which will begin at 6:00 PM at Old Stony.

Invitations will be sent to 7 potential members.

Please plan to attend to welcome these potential new members and..., enjoy the light finger foods that the committee is providing!

Reminder:
 From now until April 30th, new members can take advantage of half-year dues, so let **Rita** know if you have someone in mind to join our club!

Upcoming Meetings:

- Wed., March 6th — Board Meeting — Noon @ FCPL**
- Wed., March 27th — Business Meeting — Noon @ PPRC**
- Wed., April 3rd — Board Meeting — Noon @ FCPL**
- Wed., April 10th — Business Meeting — Noon @ PPRC**

2024 Area 4 Spring Meeting / Workshop

Saturday, April 20th



**Building a
 Balanced
 Club
 Diversity, Leadership
 & the Zonta Spirit**

We are hosting this year, so please watch for your invitation and registration form next week!

By serving as the host Club, it is important to show our hospitality with strong attendance. Remember, your registration is paid by the club, so all you need to do is respond that you can come!



AMELIA EARHART PROGRAM

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 10, 2024

Members, as well as family and friends, came for a relaxing evening at the Frankfort Library's Skanta Theatre to watch "AMELIA", starring Hillary Swank and Richard Gere in



Amelia Earhart was an active member of the Zonta Club of Boston and New York during 1928-1937. Every January we celebrate her as one of Zonta's most famous members and her contributions to the aerospace industry and empowerment of women in science.

Eighty-nine (89) years ago, Amelia Earhart's legacy was strengthened, as she became the first woman to fly across both the Atlantic and Pacific oceans. In May of 1932, she flew solo from Newfoundland, Canada to Londonderry, Northern Ireland and, on January 11, 1935, she flew solo from Honolulu to Burbank, California. She also became a faculty member with Purdue in 1935 as a counselor on women's studies.

Her position with Purdue proved very beneficial a couple of years later in her plans to fly around the world as, through donations of cash and equipment totaling \$80,000, Purdue established "The Amelia Earhart Fund for Aeronautical Research" which help fund her "flying laboratory", the new Lockheed Electra airplane that was specially outfitted for long-distance flights.

While there have been numerous theories about Amelia Earhart's disappearance, as well as explorations in attempts to solve it, the mystery continues. Yes, we shall never know exactly what happened. Of this only we are certain: Amelia died as she lived, doing the work she loved with her whole soul. Amelia left a letter to her husband George Putnam saying, "**Please know that I am quite aware of the hazards. I want to do it because I want to do it. Women must try to do things as men have tried. When they fail, their failures must be a challenge to others.**"

In 1938, Zonta International established the Amelia Earhart Fellowship Program, enabling women to study at an advanced level, pursuing Ph.D./doctoral degrees in aerospace engineering and space sciences. The \$10,000 Fellowships are offered annually to 30 women and since 1938 there have been 1,734 AE Fellowships, totaling more than \$11.6 million, awarded to 1,305 fellows from 77 countries. Funded by donations to the Zonta Foundation for Women, AE Fellow alumnae have gone on to become astronauts, aerospace engineers, professors, planetary scientists, business owners, CEOs, university chancellors, Secretary of the Air Force, director of Carnegie Observatories, and director of the Lunar and Planetary Institute.

During "Intermission" members and guests enjoyed refreshments of popcorn and "movie box" candy. And, \$110 was donated to support our various service activities and projects!

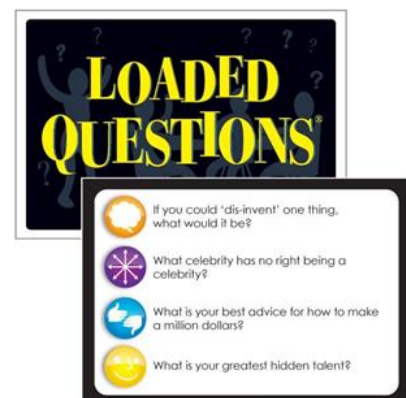
The DVD of "Amelia" was loaned to the WeCare Recovery Home, along with microwave popcorn and "movie box" candy, for their own "movie night", since these ladies were unable to attend ours!

GAME NIGHT

On February 28, twelve members attended "Game Night" at PPRC, enjoying a variety of delicious, sandwiches, snacks, and desserts while discovering a bit about how fellow Zontians think. "Loaded Questions" prompts players to write down their answer to various questions, then others try to guess who answered what!

We did avoid political-related questions!

.You missed a fun evening if you weren't there!



Awards / Scholarships

2024

YOUNG WOMEN IN PUBLIC AFFAIRS AWARD

The Service Committee has sent the YWPA information and application to all local school districts and also posted the opportunity on Facebook. Applications are due back to the Frankfort Club no later than March 8.

Once the local award recipient is selected, her application will be sent on to the district level for consideration. The local recipient is awarded \$1000. The district award winner application is sent on to Zonta International where the possibility exists for an additional \$5000.

Applications for the **Career Advancement Scholarship** offered by our Zonta Club will be sent out in the next few weeks. This is a \$1000 scholarship and the eligibility criteria is as follows:

- A Clinton County Resident
- 19 years old or more at the time of the application
- Can document financial need.
- Shows ability to complete education or upgrade vocational skills.
- Has been admitted to, or cleared for admission to an academic or vocational school which is licensed or accredited by the State of Indiana.
- Furnishes a plan of schooling with specific vocational objectives that fit the situation, including class tuition fees and qualifications of the applicant to take the course of study.
- Members of Zonta and their immediate families are ineligible.

If this criteria fits a woman you know, please watch for more information and the application!

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Jane M. Klausman WOMEN IN BUSINESS SCHOLARSHIP

This scholarship is offered to a women of any age, pursuing a business program with major field of

specialization in accounting, economics, finance, business management, business technology, information technology, marketing, operations management, human resources management, international business, or entrepreneurship at an accredited university/college/institute (including online students), who demonstrate outstanding potential in the field and are living or studying in a Zonta district/region.

The program operates at the Zonta club, district/region and international levels. Zonta International offers 37 international scholarships of US\$5,000. Each district/region may submit one applicant for consideration for an international scholarship with the five largest districts being allowed to submit a second applicant for a total of two.

More will be shared in the next newsletter.



INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY

&

ZONTA ROSE DAY

Each year on March 8, the global community celebrates International Women's Day, recognizing women for their achievements regardless of national, ethnic, linguistic, economic or political divisions. The Zonta International community also celebrates Zonta Rose Day on March 8, a time to reflect and give tribute to the women who have empowered us.

*In honor or memory of a woman or women in your life, please consider a donation to the **Zonta Foundation for Women** to recognize them and to support our ZI education funds, noted here, and our International Service projects around the globe.*

Thank you.

Jeni — D6 Foundation Ambassador

SAVE THE DATE

D6 2024 FALL CONFERENCE

AREA 4 October 3-6

Renaissance Indianapolis North Hotel
11925 N. Meridian Street
Carmel, IN



Area 4 / Indiana clubs are the hosts for our 2024 Fall Conference. Suzanne Leeke, our current Area Director from the Lebanon Club, and our Stephanie, as incoming Area Director, have been working with incoming Governor, Isabel Vidal in getting initial details finalized.

A preliminary group of Area 4 members from all three Indiana clubs have met with these three lead members. Going forward, additional members will be needed in both the planning and actual hosting at Fall Conference in October!

Please, get this date on the calendar and be prepared to enthusiastically say “yes” when called upon!

Message on Ukraine from Zonta International President

Since Russia attacked Ukraine in February 2022, hospitals, critical infrastructure, schools, and residential areas have been bombed, innocent civilians have been killed, and children have been deported, causing the worst humanitarian crisis in Europe in decades. The Ukrainian people that were forced to flee and those that remained behind have endured two terrible years of war, violence and instability. Women especially struggle to keep their families together, ensure the health and safety of their children and deal with the long-term emotional and physical damage inflicted by the prolonged violence and instability.

While we cannot imagine the horrors they have witnessed throughout these last two years, we have been reminded again and again of the strength and resilience of the Ukrainian people and of our own Zonta clubs in Ukraine, who have stepped up to respond to the immediate needs of women and children fleeing the violence. We are deeply impressed by their actions and by the support provided to them from around the Zonta world.

While we demand a rapid end to this war, as Zontians, we will continue to build and support a global community of individuals who share a common commitment to equality and peace for all people.

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Please remember to bring BINGO prizes for the PPRC attendees. It is a great way to say thank you for the use of their wonderful facility.

Thanks, Sharon and Nancy

Dish towels Boxed meals Kleenex Canned soup
Paper towels Potato packets Toothpaste Rice Packets
Toilet paper (packaged)

Most anything non-perishable and wrapped! Bring items to any meeting.

Due\$ Notice

Watch for your "Dues Notice" for the 2024-2025 club year which will be going out soon.

Regular member dues are \$130 and young professional dues (under age of 30) are \$85.



MARCH

24 Carolyn Dunham

APRIL

4 Tina Kimmel 16 Cindy Swope

Overlooked from FEBRUARY was

Lisa Stafford on the 27th.

Warm greetings from Germany! I just returned home from my site visit to our **Ending Child Marriage project** in Nepal.

Nepal is one of the 12 countries where our partners **UNICEF USA** and **UNFPA** are working with the support of Zonta International on a Global Programme to end this violation of human rights. Together with other Zontians, I traveled under the lead of Mansi Mehta from UNICEF USA to the rural area of Lumbini. There, we met with adolescents, parents, teachers, social workers and stakeholders in the communities.

In Nepal, UNICEF and UNFPA partnered with government entities to develop the Rupantaran program, which means "transformation" in English. It is a social and financial skills training package aimed at empowering girls and strengthening their resilience. Through the program, adolescents receive training on various topics, including sexual and reproductive health, earning and saving money, identifying safe and unsafe places, and good and bad touch. The program encourages girls to speak up and express their desires, as well as define their visions and goals for life while emphasizing the importance of education and labor skills. This comprehensive empowerment program for adolescents is needed everywhere - not only in Nepal.

We also had the opportunity to attend classes and interact with adolescents and the community. It was a joy to see how powerfully these girls spoke up against child marriage and described their life goals. Some spoke about becoming teachers, policewomen, doctors, nurses or entrepreneurs. All participants of the program were impressed by these efforts that were taken to end child marriage thanks to your generous donations to the Zonta Foundation for Women.

Warm regards,



Ute Scholz
President 2022-2024
Zonta International and Zonta Foundation for Women

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The monthly submission target date for 2023-2024 will be the **25th of each month**. Send **submissions to: jeniluroyalty@gmail.com**.

All submissions should be in a simple Word document format. Committee Co-Chairs are encouraged to submit meeting dates or other information related to your committee work. Suggestions for improvement are welcome as well! Thank you!